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1. It was learned between 12 and 23 September 1950 that the VP school in Stralsund-Parow (N 55/0 44) was conducting only one course, a Seepolizei course with 430 trainees. The training program included naval training, infantry drill, gun drill with 75-mm artillery pieces, and signal training. The school was commanded by a high-ranking VP officer named Steffen. (fnu). 25X1C
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2. In mid-September 1950, 60 apprentices of the Franzenshoehe training workshop of the Stralsund People's Shipyard were recruited for service with the Seepolizei. The Seepolizei had a constant demand for naval specialists up to 40 years of age, who were to be employed as instructors.
3. It was allegedly planned to move the Seepolizei school to Daenholm Island. The hitherto unused barracks buildings in Parow were recon-ditioned, allegedly to serve as quarters for the personnel of a VP airfield to be established there. ***
4. In September 1950 it was learned that about 300 men of the Seepolizei were still quartered at the former airfield of Stralsund-Parow. They received theoretical instruction, infantry drill, and training in rowing in the Stralsund Strait. The six motor minesweepers previously stationed in Parow had allegedly been moved to Rastrow (N 55/0 51), where a navigation school was located. About the beginning of September 1950, 40 to 50 Seepolizei personnel from Parow were detached to this navigation school. ***
5. Dredging work in the small harbor of Parow was discontinued in the middle of September 1950.

Comment. The information confirms the Seepolizei school which is located at the Parow airfield and which is subordinate to the Hauptverwaltung Seepolizei (Main Administration of Sea Police).

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[] Comment. No other information has been received on plans to move the Seepolizei school to Daenholm Island off Stralsund. A new Seepolizei unit may be activated there. Indications on the establishment of Luftpolizei (Air Police) units have been vague so far. A previous report stated that a VP ammunition dump was to be established in Parow. []

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[] Comment. A marine school for civilian shipping of the German Democratic Republic is located in Austrow. The statement that Seepolizei personnel were detached to the school is probably true, inasmuch as Seepolizei and the Soviet Zone fishing fleet are being equipped with the same type drifters, produced in great numbers.

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